

Internal appeals policy & procedures

(for Non-Examined Assessments)

2017/18

These procedures are reviewed annually to ensure compliance with current regulations

Approved/reviewed by

Kevin Bawn

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Key staff involved in internal appeals procedures

Role	Name(s)
Head of centre	Dr Kevin Bawn
Subject Learning Leaders	As required
Exams officer	Rebecca Dominy

Appeals against internal assessment decisions (centre assessed marks)

This procedure confirms Clyst Vale Community College's compliance with JCQ's General Regulations for Approved Centres 2017-2018, section 5.8 that the centre has in place "a written internal appeals procedure relating to internal assessment decisions and to ensure that details of this procedure are communicated, made widely available and accessible to all candidates" and that the centre "must inform candidates of their centre assessed marks as a candidate is allowed to request a review of the centre's marking before marks are submitted to the awarding body."

Certain components of GCSE and GCE qualifications (GCSE controlled assessments, GCE coursework, GCE and GCSE non-examination assessments) that contribute to the final grade of the qualification are internally assessed (marked) by the subject teacher. The marks awarded (the internal assessment decisions) are then submitted by the deadline set by the awarding body for external moderation.

Deadlines for the submission of marks (Summer 2018 exam series)

Date	Qualification	Details
07/05/2018	GCSE	AQA
15/05/2018	GCSE	Edexcel & OCR
	GCE	All exam boards

Clyst Vale Community College is committed to ensuring that whenever its staff mark candidates' work this is done fairly, consistently and in accordance with the awarding body's specification and subject-specific associated documents.

Clyst Vale Community College ensures that all centre staff follow a robust *Non-examination* assessment policy (for the management of GCE and GCSE non-examination assessments). This policy details all procedures relating to non-examination assessments, including the marking and quality assurance processes which relevant teaching staff are required to follow.

Candidates' work will be marked by staff who have appropriate knowledge, understanding and skill, and who have been trained in this activity. Clyst Vale Community College is committed to ensuring that work produced by candidates is authenticated in line with the requirements of the awarding body. Where a number of subject teachers are involved in marking candidates' work, internal moderation and standardisation will ensure consistency of marking.

On being informed of their centre assessed marks, if a candidate believes that the above procedures were not followed in relation to the marking of his/her work, or that the assessor has not properly applied the mark scheme to his/her marking, then he/she may make use of this appeals procedure to consider whether to request a review of the centre's marking.

- 1. Clyst Vale Community College will ensure that candidates are informed of their centre assessed marks so that they may request a review of the centre's marking before marks are submitted to the awarding body.
- Clyst Vale Community College will inform candidates that they may request copies
 of materials (for example, a copy of their marked work, the relevant specification,
 the mark scheme and any other associated subject-specific documents) to assist
 them in considering whether to request a review of the centre's marking of the
 assessment.
- 3. Clyst Vale Community College will, having received a request for copies of materials, promptly make them available to the candidate within 3 calendar days.
- 4. Clyst Vale Community College will provide candidates with sufficient time in order to allow them to review copies of materials and reach a decision.
- Requests for reviews of marking must be made in writing within 3 calendar days of receiving copies of the requested materials by completing the internal appeals form.
- Clyst Vale Community College will allow 3 calendar days for the review to be carried out, to make any necessary changes to marks and to inform the candidate of the outcome, all before the awarding body's deadline.
- 7. Clyst Vale Community College will ensure that the review of marking is carried out by an assessor who has appropriate competence, has had no previous involvement in the assessment of that candidate and has no personal interest in the review.
- 8. Clyst Vale Community College will instruct the reviewer to ensure that the candidate's mark is consistent with the standard set by the centre.
- 9. The candidate will be informed in writing of the outcome of the review of the centre's marking.
- 10. The outcome of the review of the centre's marking will be made known to the head of centre. A written record will be kept and made available to the awarding body upon request. Should the review of the centre's marking bring any irregularity in procedures to light, the awarding body will be informed immediately.

After candidates' work has been internally assessed, it is moderated by the awarding body to ensure consistency in marking between centres. The moderation process may lead to mark changes. This process is outside the control of Clyst Vale Community College and is not covered by this procedure.

The procedure (in grey font) is quoted directly from the JCQ publication <u>Reviews of marking (centre assessed marks) suggested template for centres</u>

			FOR C	ENTRE USE ONLY	
Internal appeals form			Date received		
Please tick box to indicate the nature of your appeal and complete all white boxes on the form below			Reference No.		
Request for	inst an internal assessment copies of materials (eg a collease provide details below	opy of your ma	arked work or a	a copy of the mark	
Name of student		Tu	tor Group		
Subject		Component			
Please state the g	rounds for your appeal below				
If necessary continue o	n an additional page if this form is being c	completed electronica.	lly or overleaf if hard co	opy being completed	
Signature:		of signature:	f signature:		

This form must be signed, dated and returned to the <u>Exams Officer</u> on behalf of the head of centre to the timescale indicated in the relevant appeals procedure.

Please hand in to the Office or email to dominyr@clystvale.org

Appeals Log

This form will be used by the Exams Officer to log all appeals relating to NEAs.

The outcome of any reviews of the centre's marking will be made known to the head of centre and will be logged. A written record will be kept and made available to the awarding body upon request. Should the review of the centre's marking bring any irregularity in procedures to light, the awarding body will be informed immediately.

Ref No.	Date received	Complaint or Appeal	Outcome	Outcome date

Further guidance to inform and implement appeals procedures

JCQ

- ► General Regulations for Approved Centres
 https://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/general-regulations
- ► Post-Results Services https://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/post-results-services
- ► JCQ Appeals Booklet https://www.jcg.org.uk/exams-office/appeals
- Notice to Centres Reviews of marking (centre assessed marks) https://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/controlled-assessments https://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/coursework https://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/non-examination-assessments

Ofqual

- ► GCSE (9 to 1) qualification-level conditions and requirements

 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/gcse-9-to-1-qualification-level-conditions
- ► GCSE (A* to G) qualification-level conditions and requirements

 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/gcse-a-to-g-qualification-level-conditions-and-requirements
- ► GCE qualification-level conditions and requirements
 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/gce-qualification-level-conditions-and-requirements
- ► Pre-reform GCE qualification-level conditions and requirements https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/gce-qualification-level-conditions-for-pre-reform-qualifications